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Dear Brother Carignan:

Chapter 125 of the Laws of 1955 provides a fine of not more than fifty dollars to be assessed against violators of its requirements.

One of its requirements is that "No official or other person shall issue a permit to register a motor vehicle . . . without first requiring the applicant to make an affidavit under the pains and penalties of perjury that all poll and head taxes for which he is liable for the preceding year have been paid."

There is no requirement that this affidavit necessarily be on the back of the city or town permit fee form.

If city and town clerks refuse to allow their permit applications to be taken from their offices alternative provision for record of compliance with this statute must be made by them.

In such cases where the required affidavit has been completely executed on the application for vehicle registration and the town clerk is satisfied that the signature is genuine he dispenses with retention of his own record of compliance at his own risk.

Very truly yours,

George F. Nelson
Assistant Attorney General

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